

Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 1, line 2 with the following amended paragraph:

This application claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application Serial No. 60/543,225, filed on February 10, 2004 by David Maas et al. and entitled "Soil Aerator Assembly," the entirety of which is hereby incorporated as if fully set forth herein. ~~This application is a continuation in part of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/281,786 filed on October 28, 2002 by Scott Bjorge and entitled "Soil Aeration Tine," which is a divisional of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/821,373 filed March 29, 2001 by Scott Bjorge and entitled "Soil Aeration Tine," the entirety of which are incorporated herein by reference.~~